

# Copyright Questions?

If we have the technological equipment and skill to copy multimedia material, do we have the right to do so?

**NO**

What are two ways to use materials that you suspect are copyrighted?

**Apply the Fair Use Principle!**

**Ask Permission to Use it!**

A library buys one copy of a 16mm film and makes a videocassette copy for you in the library's videocassette playback area?

**Illegal**

A media center specialist salvages some useful frames from discarded filmstrips and converts them into slides for student use?

**If you make slides from them and do not add any of your own, it's legal.**

You've found a really neat cartoon that illustrates the point of your next lesson. Can you use it? How?

**Yes and No? Depends on how**

A student prepares an audio tape report on new travel books in the school library and uses "Around The World In Eighty Day" as background music?

**Legal under some circumstances. If a student--OK. Not for the teacher!**

A music teacher reproduces three extra flute sections from purchased sheet music because she is short copies in this year's class?

**Illegal**

A media director occasionally makes a videotape of a preview print of a 16 mm film in order to allow preview over a longer time?

**Illegal**

You go down to VideoMania and rent a videotape of "Macbeth" to show to your English class. Can you show it in class--the kid behind the rental counter said it was OK?

**Legal-Be sure to show it in YOUR class, not the cafeteria!**

A high school student uses an opaque projector to enlarge a map from his geography book to help him draw a poster showing the location of Indian Reservations?

**Legal because it is in the public domain. (Teacher or Student)**

A librarian makes multiple cassette copies of classical music albums in their entirety because the albums are not available in cassette form.

**Illegal!**

Can you copy a “ditto-master?”

**No-Way, No-How, Never!**

A teacher produces a classroom videotape illustrating a topic with various film clips taken from the district’s circulating film library?

**Legal**

A teacher requests the media center to copy various musical selections from radio programs onto audio tape in order to illustrate the forms of certain kinds of musical composition?

**Illegal. Anything transmitted on the airwaves is copyrighted material.**

A teacher introduces a new workbook to the class and makes an overhead transparency of one page so he can demonstrate how the students will work in their own workbooks?

**Legal - One single transparency only!**

Students in a high school photography class want to use a song from a currently popular record as background music for a slide program produced as a class project. One of the students owns the record. The finished program will be shown without charge to parents. Copies will not be sold.

**Legal**